

Title I and School Support Focus School eBrief

A Newsletter from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, Tony Evers, PhD, State Superintendent

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Save the Date!

The former **Focus/Priority School Conference** has been rebranded as the **SPED/Title I Collaborative Conference**. This year's conference is scheduled for September 25-26, 2017. More details will be coming soon!

Reduced Requirements for Focus Schools in 2017-18

With the transition from No Child Left Behind (NCLB) to the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), we will continue to support schools by reducing requirements and increased flexibility. Each Focus School must have one active objective in the fall and report on progress of that objective in the spring. This is a reduction of three objectives to one and a reduction of three report submissions to two. We encourage schools to carefully select the objective on which to focus their efforts. Schools are welcome to continue with additional objectives if they so desire. Schools will receive the \$14,000 grant which can be used for Indistar support and professional development; with the added flexibility of using the grant for student-related purchases such as academic support and resources. As this grant is still Title I funding, expenditures must follow Title I rules such as supplement, not supplant. If you have questions, please contact your DPI Focus School consultant, as consultants will continue to provide support to their assigned schools.

WISELearn

The goal of WISELearn is to give Wisconsin educators a place to find, submit, approve, and rate lesson ideas and other online resources; then share and discuss ways to use them with their professional learning communities around the state. We hope it will be one of your go-to places for resources, social networks and professional development. Please check out these links:

- http://dpi.wi.gov/news/dpi-connected/wiselearn-online
- http://dpi.wi.gov/wiselearn

As part of our ongoing commitment to providing all Title I Focus Schools with consistent and timely information, the Title I and School Support Team will be providing regular eBriefs to Principals, Indistar Process Managers, and Title I coordinators. We welcome suggestions about topics you would like addressed in future editions.

Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities

PBIS Leadership Conference August 14-16, 2017 in Wisconsin Dells

<u>Mathematics Teaching and Learning Conference</u>

August 21-23, 2017 in Hortonville

WMC MPES Conference in the Dells
October 18-19, 2017
Wisconsin Dells

SPED/Title I Collaborative Conference September 25-26, 2017

Upcoming Deadlines

June 1 – Third and Final Indistar Checkpoint for 2016-17. Three active objectives required: RtI, PBIS and Early Warning System (EWS) (for middle schools and high schools), elementary schools may choose their 3rd objective.